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**From:** Dawani, Karim  
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Here is Mr. Kramer's post in its entirety, and left out the comments by the FB members.



From Local Union 513 President Patrick Kramer

Operating Engineers local 513 Members -

Brothers and Sisters: I would like to update you on the West Lake Landfill issue. It is no secret that the first objective of our organization, when this issue first came to our attention, was to supply the contractors that are performing the work at that location with the skilled, experienced workforce that our organization can provide. After attempting dialogue with these contractors, this offer was denied. Instead the workforce they employ, I am told, are non-resident employees who seemingly do not speak English and after completing their work shift, they doff their PPE, they are hustled to transportation, they are taken to a hotel in Earth City, where they are sequestered until it is time to return to work. This type of treatment, under this veil of secrecy, leads to speculation and to say the least, is suspect. After further investigation of the issue at this location it seemed to be bigger than just getting our people to work there. Already knowing of the probability of nuclear waste at the location, the same waste that some of our members have, or are still, expertly cleaning up at Weldon Springs, St. Louis Airport, and Malinkrodt; we have also been concerned with the necessity of cleaning up this location as well.

I attended a community meeting last Tuesday night where the MO DNR expert gave his report on the status of the underground landfill fire that is working its way toward the buried nuclear waste. Due to the fact that different government agencies have to claim responsibility for different parts of the bigger issue; we as concerned citizens are forced to watch and listen to this bureaucratic "dog and pony show" until it gets to a point where one agency takes charge.

This Tuesday, June 25th 6:30 - 8:30 at the Pattonville High School Auditorium, the EPA will address concerns of the residents. If you can attend this meeting it may or may not answer your questions. It is not my intention and I DO NOT want to make this a labor rally. My goal is to inform our members who may be residents of this community. This engaged community not only consists of activists and environmentalists, but mainly, concerned neighbors who have banded together, not to form a block party, but to protect themselves, their families, and their property from a potential environmental disaster. It is important to show the community that our organization is supportive of their efforts, and we are a part of their community, the place that has headquartered our organization for nearly 30 years. If you wish to keep up with or contribute to their efforts, they have a Facebook page - West Lake Landfill - where the residents keep in touch. Thank you for your time.

Fraternally,

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